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an Essential Staphylococcus Aureus
Gene and its Encoded Protein

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of one month(s) to file a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Request for Continued Examination Response to the Office Communication mailed December 17, 2004 from January 15, 2005, up to and including February 15, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, an extension fee of \$60.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application is required. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 21715/1010. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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